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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 03/25/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,6,7,9,12,17,19 and 22.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 18 April 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37-CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 03/25/2005
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

In interpreting the claims in light of the specification and applicant's arguments, the Examiner finds the claimed invention is patentably distinct from the prior art of record.

The prior art of record includes Nicolas et al. (Nicolas), US Patent No. 6,593,944, Hewett et al. (Hewett), US Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0104023, and further in view of Bandera et al. (Bandera), US Patent No. 6,332,127.

Nicolas discloses a method and electronic system for viewing a Web page on a small-sized electronic display device, the Web page includes a plurality of frames, and frame layout information is extracted from the HTML file (corresponding to the particular Web page). The frame layout information is used to generate a frame representation, wherein the frame representation includes a plurality of geometric frame identifier, and a user selects the geometric frame identifier which corresponds to the frame the user desires to view on the small-sized electronic display device (Abstract, col. 2, line 46 – col. 3, line 45).

Hewett discloses a system and process for automatically controlling whether a displayed web page and associated frames displayed within a window of a web browser are secure or non-secure. Specifically, the Web Component is capable of automatically and dynamically generating at least one web page that is customized for display or hosting on the local client in response to specific function properties provided to the Web Component (Abstract and page 2, paragraphs [0013]-[0015]).

Bandera discloses systems, methods and computer program products for selecting an advertising object to be displayed within a Web page requested by a user based on the geographic location of the user and/or on the time of day, and changing content within an object displayed within a Web page based on changes in geographic location of a user (Abstract, col. 2, line 11 – col. 3, line 12).

Claim 1 is allowed because the prior art of record does not expressly disclose alone or in combination a plurality of panels, each is of a uniform size and a uniform shape, inserts are provided for each panel and inserts provide for advanced or novice levels of information for a stock ticker symbol, where the content of the insert is determined by requirements of the laws in the geographic region where user is located. Examiner finds the arguments on page 7 of the remarks to be persuasive as well since “the content of different inserts for uniformly shaped panels of the web page is varied depending on the different legal requirements of different regions.”

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2. The dependent claims 3 and 6 further limit independent claim 1. Claims 7, 9, 12, 17, 19, and 22 are considered allowable for the same reasons set forth for claims 1, 3 and 6 above.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chau Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-4092. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Joseph Feild, can be reached at (571) 272-4090.

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